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Office of the Governor - South Carolina
South Carolina Public Records Law Office
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, SC 29201

May 22, 2019

This is a follow up to a previous request:

To Whom It May Concern:

I wanted to follow up on the following South Carolina Public Records Law request, copied below, and originally submitted on Feb. 15, 2019. Please let me know when I can expect to receive a response.

Thanks for your help, and let me know if further clarification is needed.

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On April 5, 2019:
Hello!

I acknowledge receipt of your letter stating estimated fees of \$20.00 to fulfill this request. I agree to those charges.

Please let me know where to send payment.

Regards,
Daniel

On March 26, 2019:
A letter stating the requester must agree to or prepay assessed or estimated fees in order for the agency to continue processing the request.

On March 3, 2019:
An acknowledgement letter, stating the request is being processed.

On Feb. 15, 2019:
To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the South Carolina Public Records Law, I hereby request the

following records:

All electronic records containing the following keywords:

- Consumer Energy Alliance
- CEA
- HBW
- National Ocean Policy Coalition
- NOPS
- @oceanpolicy.com
- @consumerenergyalliance.org

The request should include emails (both sent and received), email attachments, text messages, encrypted messages (such as Signal and/or WhatsApp etc.), messaging apps (such as Slack, Trello and/or Asana etc.), cloud based file storage systems (such as Microsoft One Drive, Google Drive, and/or Dropbox etc.) and any other electronic records.

The scope of this public records request is for Governor Henry McMaster and his Chief of Staff Trey Walker.

The timeframe of this public records request is between January 1, 2017 and the date of this filing.

You may exclude news articles, press clippings, and duplicate emails.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

The organization I work for, the Energy and Policy Institute (EPI), is a clearinghouse of information and can qualify as a representative of the news media. There are several examples of public record requests provided to EPI that were published on our website to inform journalists publishing articles. Additionally, federal agencies have previously categorized FOIAs from the Energy and Policy Institute under Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1004.9(b)(3) as a "news media" requester and have determined that we satisfy the criteria considered for a waiver of fees.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or USB drive if not.

I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 15 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Daniel Tait

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